

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please make the following amendments to the claims:

1-45. (Cancelled)

46. (Currently Amended) A process for the preparation of urethane resins comprising the steps of:

(1) reacting a compound (compound(ab)) having at least one active hydrogen being reactive with an isocyanate group in one molecule and having 1 to 10 silicon atoms directly bonded to an alkoxy group with a compound(i) selected from the group consisting of an α , β -unsaturated carbonyl compound and an α , β -unsaturated nitrile compound, in order to produce a product(N) which has active hydrogen being reactive with an isocyanate group in one molecule, the number of active hydrogens in one molecule being less than two;

(2) reacting said product(N), with a compound(j) in order to obtain a silicon compound (product(O)) which has isocyanate groups in one molecule, the number of isocyanate groups in one molecule being less than two and which has a hydrolysable alkoxy group directly bonded to at least one silicon atom, wherein said compound (j) has at least two isocyanate groups; and

(3) reacting said product(O), with a polyol compound (compound(c)).

47. (Previously Presented) The process for the preparation of urethane resins according to claim 46, wherein said at least one active hydrogen of compound(ab) is a hydrogen of a group selected from the group consisting of a primary amino group and a secondary amino group.

48. (Currently Amended) A process for the preparation of urethane resins comprising the steps of:

(1) reacting a compound(eb) with a compound(fb) and further reacting with a compound(i) in order to obtain a silicon compound (product(R)), or after reacting said compound(eb) with said compound(fb), further reacting with a compound(i) in order to obtain the silicon compound (product(R)), the silicon compound (product (R)) having an alkoxy group directly bonded to at least one silicon atom and which has secondary amino groups in one molecule, the number of secondary amino groups in one molecule being less than two, wherein, said compound(eb) is a silicon compound having at least one acryloyl group (organic group(VIII)) and having an alkoxy group bonded to at least one silicon atom, wherein, said compound(fb) is capable of reacting with said organic group(VIII) to form a secondary amino compound, and wherein, said compound(i) is selected from the group consisting of an α , β -unsaturated carbonyl compound and an α , β -unsaturated nitrile compound;

(2) reacting said product(R), with a compound(j) having at least two isocyanate groups, in order to produce a silicon compound (product(S)) having at least one alkoxy group directly bonded to at least one silicon atom and having an isocyanate group, the number of which is less than two; and

(3) reacting said product(S), with a polyol compound (compound(c)).

49. (Previously Presented) The process for the preparation of the urethane resins according to claim 48, wherein the said compound(fb) is a compound having a primary amino group.

50. (Cancelled)